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## Pennsylvania Honey Production Up 34 Percent

HARRISBURG, PA --- Honey production in 2014 from Pennsylvania producers with five or more colonies totaled 782 thousand pounds, up 34 percent from 2013, according to King Whetstone, Director of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistic Service, Northeastern Regional Field Office. There were 17 thousand colonies producing honey in 2014, up 31 percent from 2013. Yield per colony averaged 46 pounds, up 2 percent from the 45 pounds in 2013. Producer honey stocks were 203 thousand pounds on December 15, 2014, down 21 percent from a year earlier.

Honey prices decreased during 2014 to 275 cents per pound, down 9 percent from 303 cents per pound in 2013.

The Honey Production report and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

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